AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (original): A process for producing a ubiquinone-10-containing solution, which comprises the following steps:

- [1] adding a methanol solution to a culture obtained by culturing a microorganism having an ability to produce ubiquinone-10 in a medium, a processed product of the culture, or a partially purified product of ubiquinone-10, to a final concentration of 50 to 100 v/v% and then retaining the resulting mixture at a temperature of 0°C or above and 30°C or below;
- [2] separating and recovering an insoluble matter from the solution obtained at the step [1];
- [3] adding a methanol solution of a concentration of 85 to 100 v/v% to the insoluble matter obtained in the step [2] and retaining the resulting mixture at a temperature of more than 30°C and 80°C or below; and
- removing an insoluble matter from the solution obtained in the step [3].

Claim 2 (original): The process according to claim 1, wherein the steps of adding a methanol solution again to the insoluble matter obtained in the step [2] to a final concentration of 50 to 100 v/v%, retaining a resulting mixture at a temperature of 0°C or above and 30°C or below, and subsequently separating and recovering a resulting insoluble matter are repeated once or more times before the subsequent step [3].

Claim 3 (currently amended): The process according to claim 1—or 2, wherein the microorganism having an ability to produce ubiquinone-10 is a microorganism selected from microorganisms of selected from basidiomycetes, fungi, yeast and bacteria.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The process according to claim 1-or-2, wherein the processed product of the culture is a concentrate of the culture of the microorganism, a dried

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product of the culture, a bacterial cell obtained by separation from the culture, a dried product of the bacterial cell, a freeze-dried product of the bacterial cell, a rinsed bacterial cell obtained by rinsing the bacterial cell, a dried product of the rinsed bacterial cell or a freeze-dried product of the rinsed bacterial cell.

Claim 5 (currently amended): A process for producing a crystal of ubiquinone-10, which comprises depositing the crystal of ubiquinone-10 from the ubiquinone-10-containing solution obtained by the process according to claim 1-or-2.

Claim 6 (original): The process according to claim 5, wherein the crystal of ubiquinone-10 is a crystal having a purity of 90.0% or more.